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Egyptian lawyer tortured to death

The recent death under torture in police detention of Abdel Harith Madani, a young lawyer who was arrested and held incommunicado because of his defence of some political detainees in the courts, is yet further proof of the criminal nature of Mubarak's regime in dealing with any opposition. It is now very clear that, not only are political detainees deprived of fair trials but any who dare defend their rights in the courts are liable to brutal, physical elimination.

There are currently thousands of political detainees in Egypt who are undergoing daily torture - electric shocks, beating and burning are amongst the methods documented. Mubarak's fake democracy is daily showing its true fascist colours by using every type of force and repression to quell any form of opposition.

We urge all human rights organisations to put urgent pressure on Mubarak to cease forthwith these terrible acts which are new in the modern history of Egypt, and which are a great stain on the name of a peace-loving people.